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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND, G. A. R.

RED MEN'S HALL, 114 N. PACA STREET.

CIRCULAR LETTER }
No. 1 }

BALTIMORE, JUNE 30, 1917.

COMRADES :

The Committee on Transportation have submitted the following report relative to the movement of the Department of Maryland, G. A. R., to Boston on the occasion of the Fifty-first Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, viz.:

The solution of selecting and recommending the route is very simple, and the only all rail route is via the Pennsylvania and New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroads. The Round Trip Fare authorized by the Trunk Line Association is \$16.55.

Tickets will be sold going August 16th, 17th and 18th and will require validation on dates leaving Boston, *without charge* at Boston, which can be done at the depot or at the uptown office of the N. Y., N. H. and H. R. R. The time limit of these tickets expires August 29th. *Stop over privileges at Philadelphia and New York* will be allowed.

The Committee recommends the use of the Pennsylvania Colonial Express train, leaving Baltimore, Union Station, 9.13 A. M., arriving at Boston 8.20 P. M.

The train is equipped with coaches, parlor cars and restaurant cars.

Those preferring a night trip can use the Federal Express train, leaving Union Station at 8.00 P. M., arriving at Boston 7.10 A. M.

For the transfer of *checked* baggage by all routes through New York there will be a charge of 50 cents per trunk, 40 cents for hand baggage.

The Commander accepts the report as well as the recommendations of the Committee and hereby announces the Pennsylvania all rail route as the official route of the Department of Maryland, G. A. R.

The date of leaving Baltimore will be announced in a following circular letter to be issued as soon as definite arrangements have been made as to hotel for Department Headquarters. Correspondence is now passing relative to location, price of rooms and other matters appertaining to same. We are doing our best to cater to the masses and it would be a great pleasure to me as the Commander if all who goes with our Department would locate at our Hotel Headquarters.

By Command,

E. Walter Giles.

Department Commander.

Robert b Dunstrow Assistant Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND, G. A. R.

RED MEN'S HALL, 114 N. PACA STREET.

CIRCULAR NO. 2 }
SERIES 1917-18 }

BALTIMORE, MD., JULY 19th, 1917.

COMRADES :

On the occasion of the 51st National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, to be held in Boston, week of August 19th, 1917, the Headquarters of the Department of Maryland, Grand Army of the Republic, will be temporarily established at the United States Hotel, rooms Nos. 74, 76 and 78, and the Headquarters of the Ladies of the Department of Maryland Womans Relief Corps, will be established at same hotel, rooms Nos. 68, 70 and 72.

This hotel is conveniently located, close to the Union R. R. Station; also convenient to all points. Street cars pass the door and National Headquarters. Convention Halls are within a few minutes ride.

The rates at the Hotel are as follows: European \$1.25 per person and upwards. Rooms with bath \$2.00 and \$2.50 each person.

All Comrades and Ladies desiring rooms at the hotel will kindly write *Mr. James E. Hickey, Manager United States Hotel, Boston, Mass.*, for full information respecting location of rooms, &c.

As stated in Circular Letter No. 1, the Department Commander is anxious to have as many of the Maryland Delegation as conveniently can, to locate at this hotel, with the Department of Maryland G. A. R. and W. R. C.

As stated the Department will entrain at Union Station, Penna. R. R. on Sunday, August 19th, at 9.13 A. M. sharp, and the delegation should report at 9.00 A. M. at station. Tickets will be sold August 17th, 18th and 19th at ticket office, Baltimore and Calvert Streets on that date.

The Department Commander earnestly requests that all Comrades, Ladies and friends, and especially the officials and delegates to the Encampment to notify Headquarters, 114 N. Paca street, Baltimore, Md., at their earliest practical opportunity, as it is necessary, so that transportation rates can be arranged for.


Kindly notify us as soon as possible.

Fraternally, &c.,

E. Walter Giles.

Department Commander.

Robert B. Gunstrom Assistant Adjutant General.



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